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To: Hospice Provider Agencies

Subject: Long Term Care (LTC)

Hospice Provider Letter No. 04-06 Medicaid Hospice Procedure Codes Remittance and Status Report Access

The Texas Department of Human Services (DHS) has updated the Hospice Bill Code Crosswalk. A copy of the updated crosswalk is attached and Medicaid hospice provider agencies can access the crosswalk at:

http://www.dhs.state.tx.us/providers/hipaa/ltc_conference/index.html.

Please note the following two codes on the crosswalk are not billable:

- A4300 Implantable access catheter (e.g. venous, arterial, epidural, subarachnoid, or peritoneal) external access; and
- A4301 Implantable access total catheter, port/reservoir (e.g. epidural, subarachnoid, or peritoneal, etc.).

If you currently receive your Remittance and Status Reports (R&S) using TDHconnect or an ftp server, you can now access your R&S on the Internet at www.tmhp.com. You can still download the report using TDHconnect even if you view it on the Internet.

If you have Medicaid hospice policy questions, please contact Maxcine Tomlinson, Program Specialist at (512) 438-3169. If you have questions regarding billing, payment, or R&S reports, contact TMHP at 512-506-3654 or edifecs@tmhp.com.

Sincerely,

Signature on file

Bettye M. Mitchell Deputy Commissioner Long Term Care

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